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MONSON PLANNING BOARD

MINUTES FOR TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2021

Meeting Called to Order at 7:10pm

Board Members in attendance: Craig Sweitzer, Paul Hatch, Tara Hengevarld, Marilyn Gorman
Fil and Kevin Haley and Karen King

Present : Dan Laroche

Clerk : Penny Gustafson

Amend the Monson Zoning Bylaws 3.1- Schedule of Use Regulations Table 1 to include the following: **Municipal Dog Pound** allowed in the Industrial (I) District permitted by SP-ZBA approval. The discussion included but was not limited to:

Dan Laroche gave an overview

- In order to have a dog pound we need to meet the Bylaws
- The town is working on a Regional Facility with other towns
- The building that was discussed is on Bethany Road and was built in 1960
- There are no water and sewer concerns at that facility

Craig Sweitzer stated that there would have to be an official request to the Planning Board and Zoning Board for special permit in the future.

Dan said that a Building/Architect will be hired to go through the building. The cement bricks would have to be tested for mold.

Paul Hatch recommend in favor to approve the Amended Bylaw, 2nd by Kevin Haley. All in favor 6-0

No further discussion

Informal Discussion with Mary Watson, Monson Town Clerk about changing the name of the Select Board.

Mary Watson explained to the Board that they can leave the name as is or change it to Select Board. If they wanted to change to the Select Board it would have to be done at the Town Meeting in May. Dan Laroche will work with Mary Watson on this.

Craig Sweitzer asked that a reminder be set for January/February.

No further Discussion

Open Discussion pertaining to Bylaw as it relates to Adult Cannabis use but not limited to:

Craig Sweitzer gave an overview of why we are discussing the proposed bylaws.

Craig Sweitzer explained to everyone that the more input we receive from the public the better the Bylaws will be.

- Discussion about Marijuana Transporter .Craig Sweitzer asked for “not otherwise licensed by the Cannabis Control Commission” to be removed.
- The Public don’t believe that Retail Stores are needed.
- Jessica Allen said that the CCC has an outline for all licenses.
- Dan Laroche spoke about definitions
- Review of section 3A iii
- Changes made to C iii a – remove the word “Establishment” and replace with “Retail”
- Changes made to C iv - remove the word “Establishment” and replace with “Retail”
- Changed ii 2 from “Minimum” to “Maximum”
- Discussion about E iii – Dan Laroche said that a new owner would have to would have to apply
- Craig Sweitzer wants the definitions in the bylaws, Dan Laroche will check with Town Counsel.
- Discussion about 4 k – Dan Laroche explained that the facility would need to have a plan to show how they will mitigate the smell
- Discussion about the proper way to file formal complaint.
- Mary Hull spoke about the terminology and suggested that the Board use Cannabis instead of Marijuana. The Board agreed.
- Dan Laroache will add the drafted proposed Bylaw to the Town website.

Other Business:

ANR Plans – Munn Road / Parcel # 155-5A

- The ANR Plans were returned to the Applicant for revision. The Board requested that revised plans with corrections be submitted. Paul stated that they could not endorse the plans as submitted because it would create a Non buildable lot
- Paul said that there will not be an additional fee

ANR Plans – 17 Bradway Road / Parcel # 018-003

- The ANR Plans were not approved. The Board requested that revised plans with corrections be submitted.
- The frontage was incorrect

Marilyn Gorman Fil motioned to approve the amended Minutes from August 17th, 2021, 2nd by Craig Sweitzer. All in favor 6-0

Paul Hatch motioned to approve the Minutes from November 17th, 2020, 2nd by Tara Hengeveld. All in favor 6-0

Correspondents were viewed by the Board

Signatures of Board Members - Authorized endorse Plans

- Craig Sweitzer wants the letter re-typed to include all the Board Members.

Bill Schedule signed for Turley Publications, Inc. in the amount of \$100.74.

The discussion about Vice Chairperson tabled.

Paul Hatch motioned to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Tara Hengeveld. All in favor 6-0.
Meeting adjourned at 8:53pm

Respectfully Submitted,



Penny L. Gustafson
Planning Board Clerk